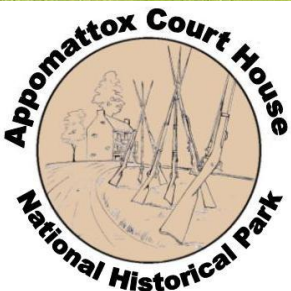




Junior Ranger Activity Book



This booklet belongs to:



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Junior Ranger Program

Welcome to Appomattox Court House National Historical Park, a unit of the National Park Service. We are glad you decided to visit us today and hope that you enjoy your tour of the Park.

Our Junior Ranger Program is for some very special people like you. Part of your job will be to help take care of our National Parks and encourage other people to take care of them too. The Parks belong to all of us and we want you to be able to bring your children here some day.

Start your adventure in becoming a Junior Ranger by going through the museum exhibits on both floors of the Visitor Center. Be sure to watch one or both of the Audio-Visual programs because they will help with some of the questions. As you tour the Village keep your booklet with you. You never know when you might find an answer. To earn your badge, complete the activities on pages 1 and 2, then all activities for your age group. Each age group may opt out of two (2) activities.



You may substitute a living history program or Ranger Talk for one activity.

Program: _____

Ranger signature: _____

If you need any assistance you can ask your parents or a Park Ranger to help you. When you have finished, take your booklet to a Ranger in the Visitor Center and they will give you your certificate and badge.

McLean House

You must complete this page

1. In what room did the generals meet? _____

2. How are the children's bedroom different from yours? _____

3. Were the McLean's in their house at the time of the surrender meeting? _____

4. How would you feel if your home was used for the generals' meeting? _____

Lula McLean was 7 years old at the time of the surrender and had left her doll in the parlor. The doll is now referred to as the Silent Witness. Can you find the doll in the parlor and draw her?

Matching Civil War People

You must complete this page

Draw a line from the person's name to his correct job at Appomattox Court House.

U.S. Grant	His house was used for the surrender meeting
Robert E. Lee	In charge of the Federals at the Stacking of Arms
Joshua Chamberlain	Lee's Aide de Camp
John B. Gordon	Commander of the Army of Northern Virginia
Wilmer McLean	Wrote official ink copy of the terms
George A. Custer	In charge of the Confederates at the Stacking of Arms
Ely S. Parker	Commander of Northern Armies
Charles Marshall	Captured Lee's supply trains on April 8th 1865

**Did You
Know?**

**Lee and Grant both attended West Point, but not at the same time.
(Lee/class of 1829 Grant/class of 1843)**

Visitor Center

Electronic Map

- 1. Where did the Confederate troops from Richmond and Petersburg join together?
_____ Court House.
- 2. What battle was fought on April 6, 1865 where General Lee lost 8,000 men and 8
Generals? _____
- 3. When did General Lee’s Army of Northern Virginia arrive at Appomattox Court
House? _____

Surrender Meeting Audio Program

- 1. What was used as a truce flag? _____
- 2. What did General Grant write at the McLean House? _____

Display Cases

- 1. There is a doll on display. What is her nickname? _____
- 2. Can you find something a soldier might wear? Describe it.

- 3. Do you see something you might find in a kitchen? Describe it.

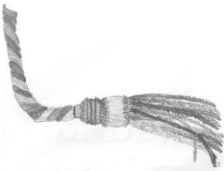


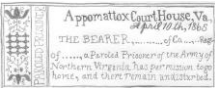
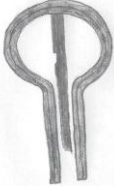

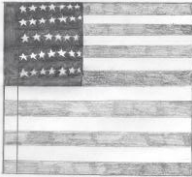







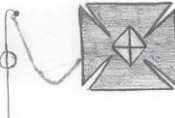





Did You Know?

President Abraham Lincoln died only 6 days after General Lee
surrendered.



Artifact Hunt

As you tour the Visitor Center exhibits, pay close attention to the items that you find there. Look carefully and see if you can find and cross out two (2) rows of the artifacts shown below. Rows can be either horizontal or vertical.

Did You Know?

Robert E. Lee was asked to command the Union army at the outbreak of the war.



Word Jumble

The answers to the questions below are jumbled. Can you straighten the words out?

1. In what building did the surrender meeting take place?

NMEcLA USOHE _____
7

2. What ceremony occurred on April 12, 1865?

INGTKASC FO SRAM _____ 5 _____

3. What were the pieces of paper issued to the Confederate soldiers?

LORPEA EASSSP _____
2

4. What document did General Grant write on April 9, 1865?

RSERRENUD MRETS _____ **8** _____ **1**

5. Who was in command of the Union soldiers at the ceremony on April 12th?

SHAJUO BERINALCHMA _____ **4**

6. In what village did the surrender take place?

TPPMAOXAO UROCT SEUOH _____
6

3

Now that you have un-jumbled the words, can you find the secret message? Take the letter that has a number under it and place it in the space with the same number below. The word that is made will tell you the most important thing that happened here for our country.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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True or False

Although the town of Appomattox Court House is known for the surrender of General Lee's army, it is important to remember that many of the citizens of the town (civilians in military terms) were still in the village at the time. Answer true or false to show what you know about one such civilian.

Hannah Reynolds was the only civilian casualty at Appomattox Court House.

True False

Hannah Reynolds was a slave.

True False

Hannah Reynolds was killed instantly.

True False

Hannah Reynolds was Mr. McLean's slave.

True False

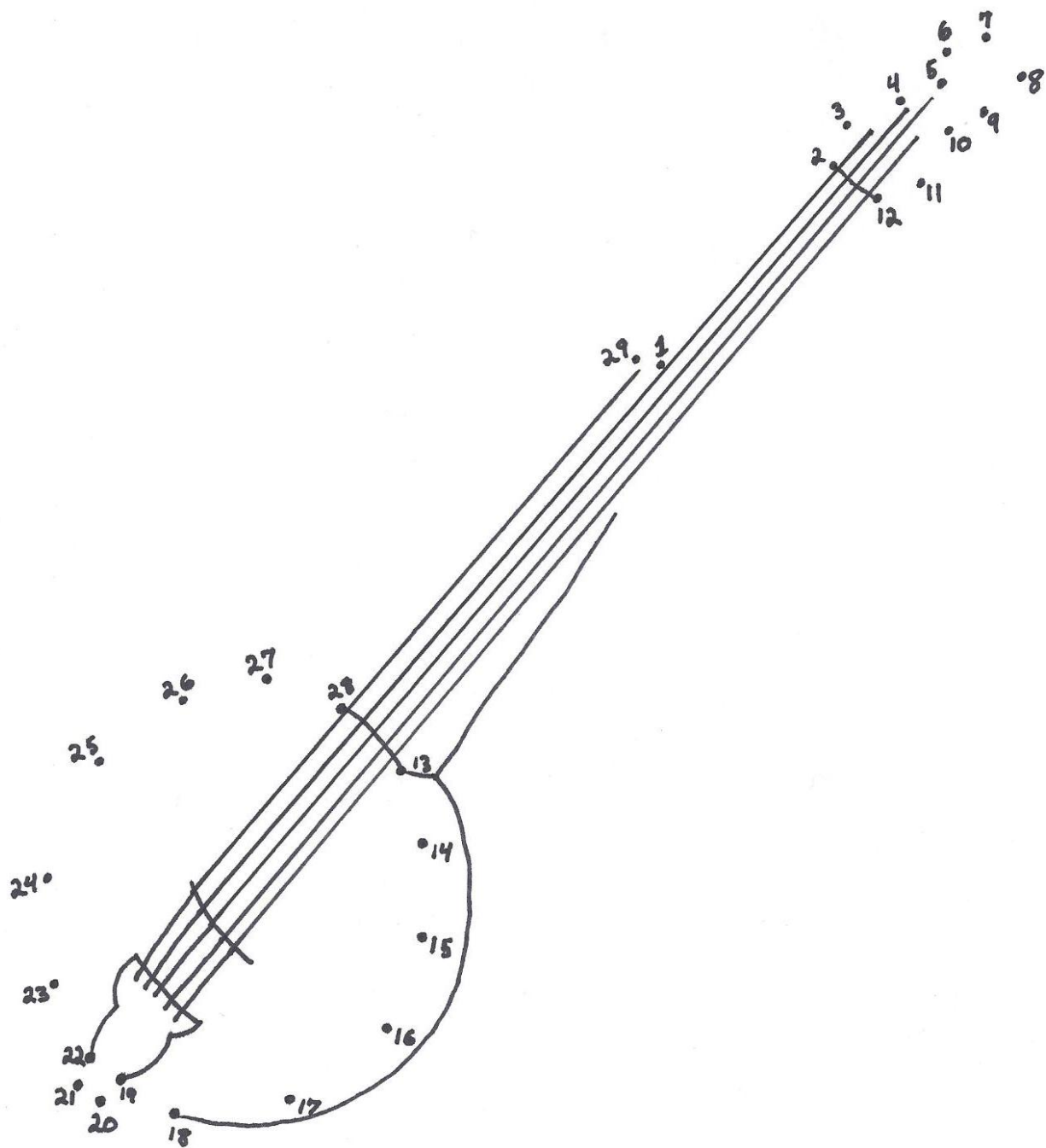
Did
You Know?

There were seven regiments of United States Colored Troops at Appomattox Court House.



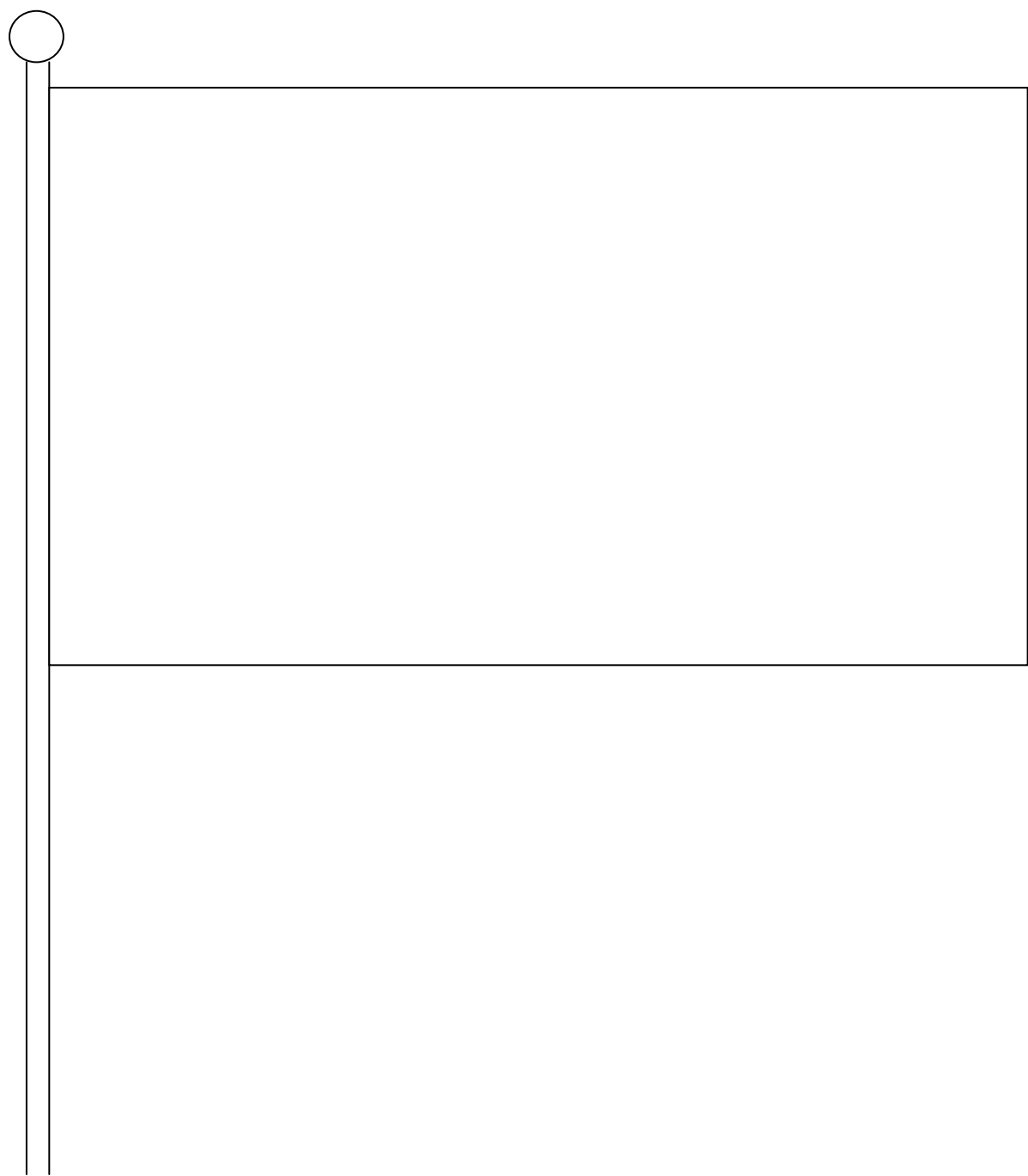
The Sweeneys and the Banjo

Joel Sweeney, an Appomattox resident, created the five string banjo from an African instrument called the banjar. He also helped to popularize the banjo by touring around the United States and Europe, even playing for the Queen of England. Although Joel died in 1860, his younger brother Sam, who also played the banjo, was recruited to be General J.E.B. Stuart's personal musician during the Civil War. Connect the dots to see what this instrument looked like.



Battle Flags

When the Confederate soldiers surrendered here at Appomattox Court House they had to give up not only their weapons but also their battle flags. These flags were often made specifically for the regiment that carried them by local seamstresses. As you can see by the flags in the museum, battle flags frequently used symbols to represent pride for the soldiers' home towns and for their regiment. Use your own symbols to create a battle flag design for your home town.



Living History

Complete this page only if there are living historians in the park.

Here at Appomattox Court House National Historical Park our living historians portray actual people who lived in this village in 1865. They are here to help you understand how different people reacted to the surrender.

Keeping in mind that for our living historians it is today's date, but the year is 1865 (ex. June 22, 1865 if it's June 22), talk to one of them to find the answers to the following questions and find out what they experienced in April 1865.

1. Who are you talking to?

2. Did they support the Union or the Confederacy?

3. What was one experience they had during the Civil War before April 1865?

4. What was their experience during the surrender?



Matching Civil War Flags

Flags were important during the Civil War, just as they are today, to express patriotism and unity. On the battlefield they identified which side you were fighting for. The Confederates had some problems creating a national flag because the designers were not often thinking of the battlefield when they created the flag. How the flag could be seen on the battlefield was motivation to change the first two designs flown as national flags by the Confederacy. In addition to a national flag, the Confederacy also had a battle flag that was easy to recognize on the battlefield.

Match the flags names below to their picture to see what each flag is.

Old Glory



Confederate First National (Stars & Bars)



Confederate Second National (Stainless Banner)



Confederate Third National



Confederate Battle Flag



Word Search

In the box of letters below are hidden words that have to do with the events that took place here. Can you find them? They might be forward, backward, or diagonal.

Circle the words you can find.

Z	V	X	C	B	G	R	D	S	A	E	Y
L	S	U	R	R	E	N	D	E	R	C	K
G	G	R	Y	T	V	O	X	O	P	H	Q
Z	O	C	G	M	G	U	I	H	P	A	D
P	F	G	U	R	R	B	S	E	T	M	B
A	P	P	O	M	A	T	T	O	X	B	M
A	M	G	R	R	N	F	N	O	U	E	S
V	C	P	O	M	T	O	L	I	C	R	N
F	L	J	G	R	E	P	A	R	O	L	E
X	E	E	R	Q	D	D	R	R	L	A	A
S	A	B	E	G	E	O	Y	Y	U	I	C
T	N	J	L	O	W	R	N	P	O	N	N

The hidden words are:

SURRENDER

GRANT

LEE

MCLEAN

PAROLE

APPOMATTOX

CHAMBERLAIN

GORDON

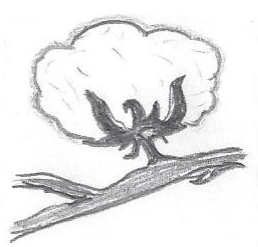
Did You
Know?

Over 621,000 Americans died in the Civil War and possibly as many as 750,000.

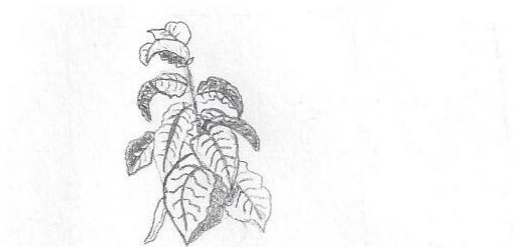


Kitchen Exhibit

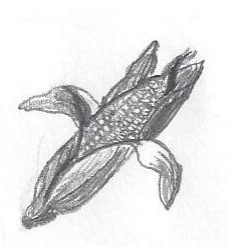
1. What was the main crop grown in Appomattox County before the Civil War?



Cotton



Tobacco



Corn

2. When did Virginia legally define what a slave was?

3. What was the typical number of slaves owned per family in Appomattox County at the outbreak of the Civil War?

4. How many freed blacks lived in Appomattox County in 1860?

5. How many slaves were there in Appomattox County in 1860?

Did You Know?

Approximately 2/3 of the white families in Appomattox County owned slaves in 1860.



Soldier Letter / Diary

Civil War soldiers wrote letters and kept diaries. Pretend you are a soldier (you can be either Union or Confederate) and you have just gotten the word of the surrender. Write either a diary entry or a letter to your parents expressing your feelings about the news.

April 9th 1865

Did You Know?

Ely Parker, who wrote the final copy of Grants’ terms, was a Seneca Indian.

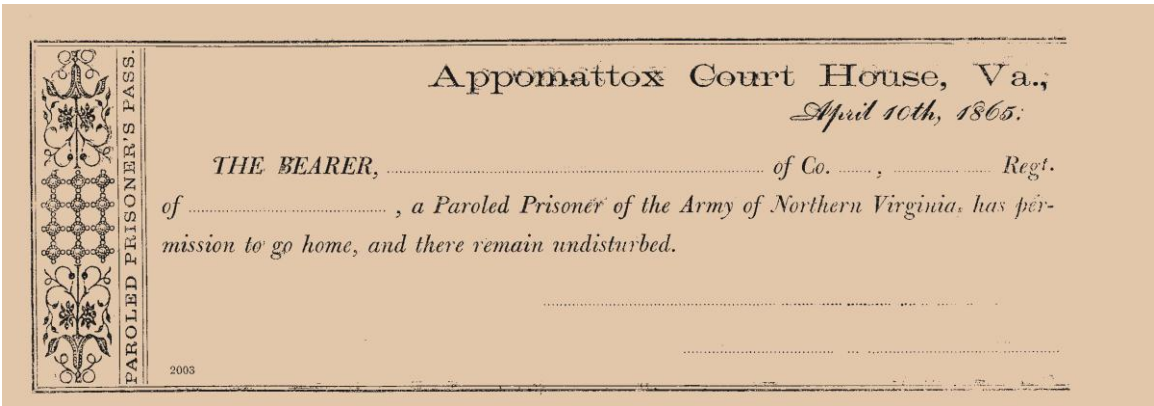


Parole Passes

Besides allowing a Confederate soldier safe passage home, name 2 other things a soldier could receive by showing his parole pass to Federal authorities.

1 _____

2 _____



Attend a printing demonstration and have the ranger sign below. If no demonstration is offered, answer the following questions. (Hint: You can find the answers at the Chamberlain-Gordon Salute Site)

Ranger Signature: _____

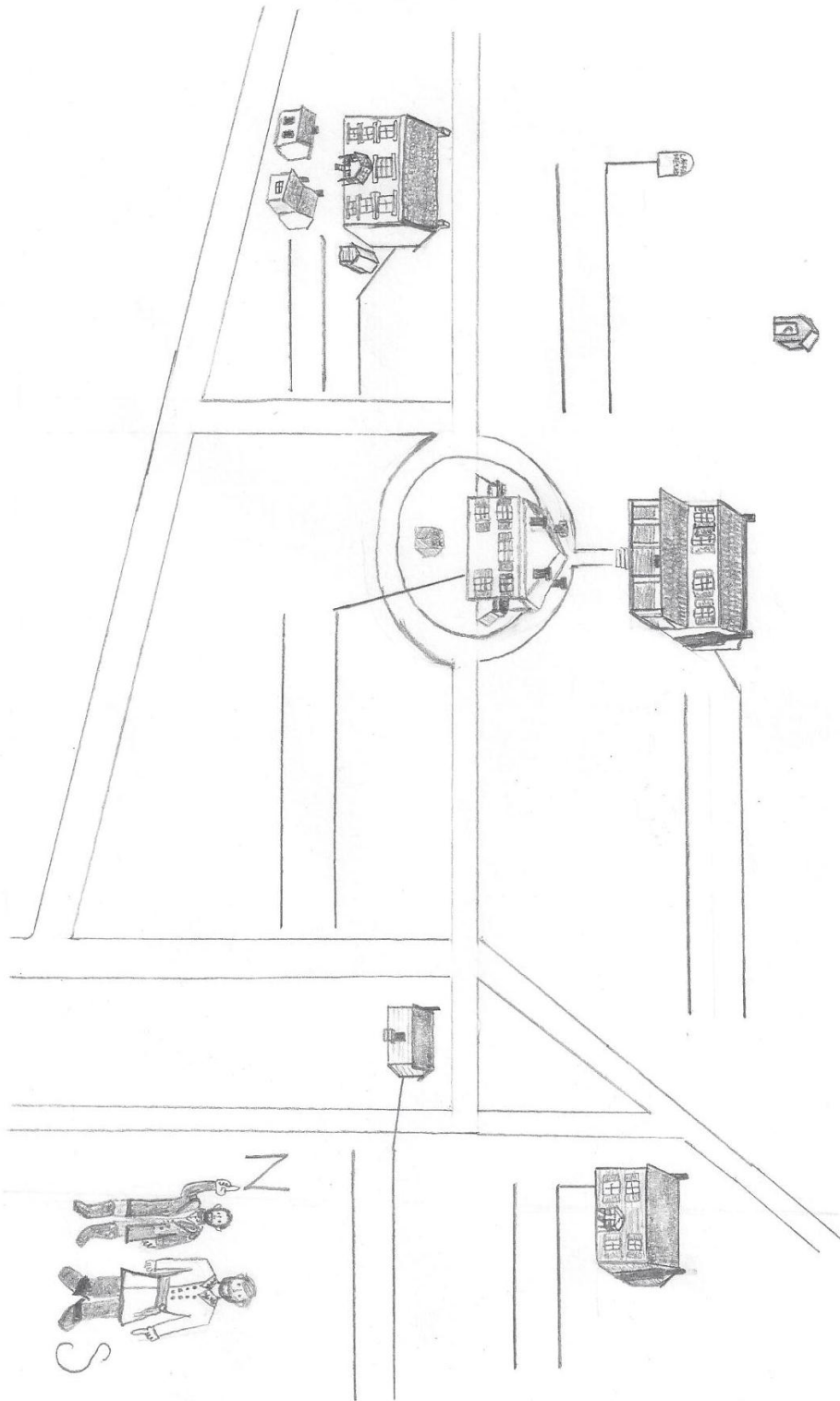
1. On which day did General Grant agree to issue the Confederate soldiers parole passes?

2. During the Confederate infantry surrender on April 12, 1865 General Joshua L. Chamberlain issued an order to "carry arms." What does this mean?

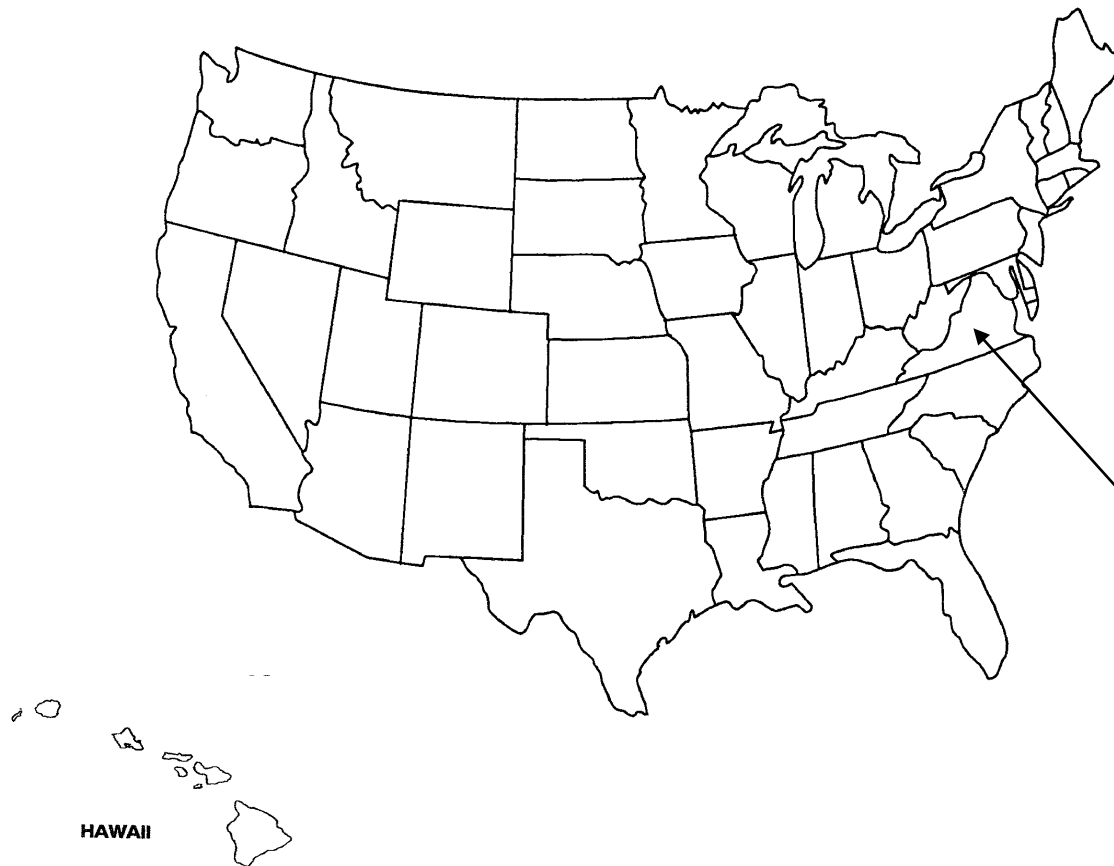


Park Map

As you walk around the village, can you name the places shown on the map?



MAP TRIVIA



1. Circle your home state.

2. Trace your trip from your home to Appomattox Court House.

3. What is the National Park closest to your home?

4. How many National Parks have you visited? _____



JUNIOR RANGER PROMISE

As a Junior Ranger I promise to:

Help make Appomattox Court House National Historical Park and other parks better places for those who visit after me.

Help protect all natural and historic objects and living things on public lands and in the world around me.

Continue to learn more about our national park areas including their plants, animals and historic features.

Share with others what I've learned about Appomattox Court House and other national park units.

Signed,

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